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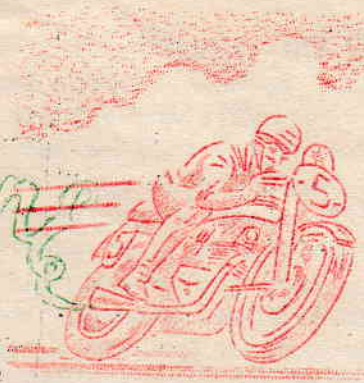

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THE OFFICIAL BULLETIN OF THE PIONEER CLUB INC.

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Well Readers, MEGAPHONE is back with you once again and we feel that a good job has been well and truly done over the last month. By this we naturally mean the Records that were broken at Tram Road Swannannoa on September 18th. 1954. Yes Folks it was a grand effort and the Club and the Sub-Committee of MEGAPHONE take pleasure in extending the most sincere congratulations to Bobbie Burns; Jim Kennedy; R.H.Wright; and Trev. Simpson. To Bobbie Burns we feel like extending a special congratulation as he did all, and more than he intended at that attempt.

How many realy do know that just prior to the event, when Bobbie was all set to go realy fast a letter was recieved from the Avon Tyre Factory strongly advising Mr. Bob Burns not under any Circumstances to go over 120 MPH. To those who do not know the situation, ordinary good condition Racing Tyres are liable to throw their tread when performing at ultra-high speeds. You all are aware of the final result with Bobbie making a down run of 149 plus. A very very creditable performance.

It is now a definate fact that Pioneer Motor Club are giving Bobbie every possible assistance in arranging and organizing his future attempt on the WORLD OPEN CLASS SIDE-CAR RECORD. As yet no definate date has been set, but the Sub-Committee has been set up and a great number of pertinant details are under way.

Further events for Pioneer Club are FRIDAY OCTOBER 1ST. the ANNUAL DANCE AND PRIZEGIVING which will be held in the STARETTA HALL, WILSONS ROAD. On OCTOBER 7TH. in HAY'S TEAROOMS (off Glouc--ester St.) starting at 8pm. we will be holding our Film Evening. A good series of Films will be shown and we advise all interested to keep an eye on the publicity in the various Motorcycle shops as to just what programme actually will be shown. OCTOBER 9th. is our Opening Beach Date, where we will be holding a first class programme. Riders will find entry forms in the usual shops.

2. This Beach Meeting will be held in the usual place Waimairi, and will be an afternoon Beach; that is 1pm. Start.

All are Welcome.

The Sunday will be our Opening Run and Gymkhana to Waihora Park.

The Gymkhana part of the event will be in the Park itself and will take place after lunch break, whilst the Opening Run will this year take the shape of a NAVAGATION TRIAL. This Trial is for cars as well as motorcycles and will leave the Club rooms, first rider away sharp at 9:30 am. Sunday. This is an event in which all can take part, so whether you are a racing man or not be along at the Navagation Trial and Gymkhana Event. If you are unable to come with us in the morning then motor out to Waihora Domain for the afternoon.

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RESULTS OF THE RECORD ATTEMPTS AND CLUB CERTIFICATE RUNS AT TRAM ROAD SEPTEMBER 18TH. 1954.

R.Burns,	Vincent Rapide,	New Zealand Open Class Sidecar	146.103.
R.H.Wright,	Vincent B/Light,	New Zealand Open Class Solo	140.845.
J.P.Kennedy,	Norton Manx	New Zealand 500cc Record.	128.296.
J.P.Kennedy,	Norton Manx	New Zealand 350cc Record.	121.375.
T.Simpson,	BSA	New Zealand 250cc Record.	93.506.

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CLUB CERTIFICATES.

T.J.Glassenbury,	Triumph,	250cc.	93.457 mph.
H.D.Beattie,	BSA	350cc.	90.29 Mph.
R.Boundy,	JAP	500cc.	95.08
M.Briggs,	Rudge	500cc.	95.74
R.Bruce,	Norton,	500cc.	98.20
S.Burt,	Norton	350cc.	100.06
B.Courtenay,	Triumph	500cc.	82.48
B.Courtenay,	BSA	650cc.	91.78
D.J.Edwards,	Norton	350cc.	97.83
P.Glassenbury,	AJS 7R	350cc,	96.49.
R.J.Harris.	BSA	250cc.	80.01.
S.Harrison.	Velocette,	250cc.	69.74
R.A.Hawkins,	Triumph,	650cc.	88.04
P.M.Johnson,	BSA	500cc	87.75
K.W.Lipscombe,	Rudge,	500cc	98.15
G.Low,	Triumph.	350cc	74.12
D.W.Mander,	Norton,	500cc.	95.49.
D.Palmer,	Norton,	350cc	97.38
L.J.Pendreigh,	Velocette,	350cc	68.92.
P.Phillips,	BSA	250cc	92.27.
J.Pointon,	Velocette,	350cc	74.45
M.Cormack,	Royal Enfield	350cc.	61.80

B.Mc Gibbon,	Triumph JAP,	500cc:	102.06 mph.
R.Robertson,	Matchless,	500cc:	71.15
W.J.Round,	Triumph,	500cc:	92.12
M.Rush,	Scott Special,	600cc:	58.00
B.L.Smith,	Triumph,	500cc:	64.92
G.Stuthridge,	Triumph,	250cc:	89.66
I.Sulivan,	BSA,	250cc:	76.78
G.M.Wilson,	AJS,	500cc:	79.01
J.Wolf,	BSA,	350cc:	87.30

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SPECIAL NOTICE: Owing to certain factors beyond the control of the MEGAPHONE sub-committee, certain events advertised in the earlier portion of this Newsletter have passed. We usually are able to be published in plenty of time, but this time we tender our regrets.

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NAVAGATION TRIAL The Navagation Trial from the Club Rooms to Waihora Park on Sunday the 10th. was quite an affair. Many lost their way (including the cars) one competitor covering over 60 miles instead of the official 36 miles as measured. The winner was Dick France with a loss of only 6 points. Second place went to new Member Peter Surridge with 10 points lost. Whilst John Good took Third place with 12 points lost. Any others were realy hopless to try and mark as in some cases they became realy "bushed" and just motored on to Motukarara.

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BEACH MEETING ON OCTOBER 9TH. Owing to an incorrect calculation with regard to our tide table we found that our Beach event as set down for the above date could not be run. It will possibly be some time before we are able to find another suitable Sat. but as soon as anything can be arranged we will let both the Rider's and the spectating Members know.

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ROAD HILL CLIMB: Although things are not yet as definate as they could be a Road Hill Climb has been booked in for Sunday November 21st. First Run to be made at 6am. with Road Closure till 10am. We ask Rider's to keep this date in mind. The proposed closed distance will be a measured mile.

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SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING: As suggested at our Annual General Meeting we will be holding a Special General Meeting in our Club

Rooms Oxford Terrace at 8pm. Monday, 29th. November 1954.

This as you are possibly all aware, is a Meeting suggested by a Member to give the chance of everyone who wishes to discuss, suggest or advise your Committee on events, social happenings or administration being conducted by this Club. This is your chance to contact your Club Committee and air your views. You do not have to get up and make a speech before the assembly if you do not want to, just "button-hole a Committee Member explain an idea and he can put it forward for you. The main thing is for you to be there, take an interest in your Club and be at the Club Rooms at 8pm. on Monday Nov. 29th.

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TULLET MEMORIAL TRIAL:

A very successful Tullet Trial was held on Sunday Oct. 3rd. (actually this was a New Brighton Club date and we are grateful for their permission to let us use it)

Results were:-

S.Harrison	Velo.	32.	J.Gibson	89.
L.Smith		37.	A.Ormandy	104.
M.Crake		42.	P.Johnson	109.
N.Turner		51.	L.Wing	136.
N.Robinson		64.	H.Beattie	171.
J.Banks		86.	R.Sherman	176.
T.Shields		89.		

FIRST TEAM:- CORSAIR M.C.C. 113 Points Lost.
CANTY. A.C.C. 229
PIONEER M.C. 284
CORSAIR M.C.C. 369

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FILM EVENING. A Film Evening was held in Hay's Tearooms on Thursday Oct. 7th. and although there was not a very large crowd,(possibly due to"Megaphone" not having warned them) it was a good film night and all were well entertained.
Now our next FILM EVENING will be on THURSDAY NOVEMBER 4TH. 1954 unless otherwise stated. We are trying to get you somthing extra special for this date. Watch the notice boards and the newspaper.

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CLUB BADGES: To all new Members, Club Badges can be obtained from the Secretary, Committee Members or certain of the Motor-Cycle Dealers at 6/- each. Club Motor Cycle Transfers can also be obtained.

UNTIL NEXT MONTH - CHEERIO - AND SAFE RIDING TO YOU ALL -- FROM PIONEER.